

**A METHOD OF UPDATING PROGRAM IN STORED CONTROL PROGRAM UNIT  
AND A STORED CONTROL PROGRAM UNIT**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention relates generally to the updating of control programs  
5 using the Internet. More particularly techniques are provided for the automatic and safe  
updating of a control program in a stored control program unit of a computer system. A  
specific embodiment provides security and reduces the cost of updating a control program by  
first, executing the instruction to update the control program using a first connection, for  
example a public telephone line, and then using a second connection via the Internet to  
10 download the update to the control program.

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